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To the Members of the Judiciary Committee,

Not only as a native citizen of Connecticut that's roots go far back to the Mayflower and founding of not only CT, but also the revolution of this country, and a tax payer I am asking you to oppose SB-16 and H.B.-5416. I wish that you would stop looking at these things on an emotional basis and start looking on a rights basis. Our rights granted by our forefathers are at stake; our God given rights are at stake.

There are laws already on our "books" to deal with criminals, yet this state and our government continually go after those who are law abiding citizens. Our rights are continually attacked by both.

I am a 63 yr old woman who has a permit. I've been around guns all my life. Took a long time to get that permit, classes, and background checks. Just to prove I was capable and not a threat to anyone. I worked in a gas station in which I carried my pistol every day, legally. I prayed I never had to draw my gun, thankfully, I never did. My biggest worry was what my state would do to me if I had to. My liability because I couldn't run fast enough or have any place to run. Is this what you judiciaries mean by retreat? So therefore, no one can protect themselves anywhere, their jobs, home, out in public because you judiciaries have no common sense what so ever. Criminals don't go to classes nor go through the system to get a permit, that's what you need to be going after, no law abiding citizens who do the right thing. If I want to buy several guns or more ammo to target practice, I should have the right to do so without interference.

I am in support of S.B.-388, I should have the right to defend myself in my home, work and my vehicle. I am in support of H.B.-5415, if I and other party have permits, it goes through the state anyway, no reason for extra law, more state overreach I am in support H.B.-5412 You should have the right to defend yourself anywhere you are, period, especially, since you are in the house of God, to protect yourself.

Please stop demonizing us law abiding citizens and start enforcing the laws already there.

Respectfully,

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